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In re Application of	:	OFFICE OF PETITIONS
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Application No. 09/943,196	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: August 30, 2001	:	
Attorney Docket No. 01-146	:	

This is a decision on the petition under the unintentional provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed August 3, 2009, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely pay the issue fee on or before June 18, 2008, as required by the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due mailed March 18, 2008. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on June 19, 2008.

It is not apparent whether the statement of unintentional delay was signed by a person who would have been in a position of knowing that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. Nevertheless, in accordance with 37 CFR 10.18, the statement is accepted as constituting a certification of unintentional delay. However, in the event that petitioner has no knowledge that the delay was unintentional, petitioner must make such an inquiry to ascertain that, in fact, the delay was unintentional. If petitioner discovers that the delay was intentional, petitioner must notify the Office.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of payment of the issue fee of \$1,510; (2) the petition fee of \$1,620; and (3) an adequate statement of unintentional delay.

The file does not indicate a change of address has been submitted, although the address given on the petition differs from the address of record. If appropriate, a change of address should be filed in accordance with MPEP 601.03. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the address given on the petition; however, the Office will mail all future correspondence solely to the address of record.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Alicia Kelley at (571)272-6059.

This application is being referred to the Office of Data Management for processing into a patent.

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